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Final report for the non-regulated analysis of existing policy for fresh nectarine fruit from China

This Biosecurity Advice notifies stakeholders of the release of the *Final report for the non-regulated analysis of existing policy for fresh nectarine fruit from China*.

The final report recommends that the importation of fresh nectarine fruit into Australia from China meets Australia's biosecurity requirements subject to a range of risk management measures, together with a system of operational procedures.

The final report takes into account submissions and comments by stakeholders on a draft report released on 28 May 2015.

Biosecurity Advice 2015/02, of 4 February 2015, announced the formal commencement of a non-regulated analysis of existing policy to consider a proposal to import fresh nectarine fruit from the People's Republic of China (China). Biosecurity Advice 2015/04, on 28 May 2015, announced the release of the draft report for a 30 day stakeholder consultation period.

This Biosecurity Advice notifies stakeholders of the release of the *Final report for the non-regulated analysis of existing policy for fresh nectarine fruit from China*. Comments from stakeholders on the draft report were taken into consideration in preparing the final report.

The final report identifies 19 pests associated with fresh nectarine fruit from China that require phytosanitary measures. Out of these 19 pests, 14 are arthropods, four are fungal pathogens, and one is a virus.

Regional differences were identified for one quarantine pest each for Western Australia and the Northern Territory. The recommended phytosanitary measures take account of these regional differences.

The final report recommends a range of risk management measures, combined with a system of operational procedures to ensure quarantine standards are met. These measures are considered to reduce the risk posed by the 19 pests, and achieve Australia's appropriate level of protection.

These measures include:

- visual inspection and remedial action for leaf rollers, mealybug, spider mite, and thrips
- area freedom or fruit treatment (cold disinfestation or irradiation) for fruit flies

- area freedom or fruit treatment (methyl bromide fumigation or irradiation) or a systems approach approved by the Australian Government Department of Agriculture and Water Resources for spotted wing drosophila
- area freedom or area of low pest prevalence or fruit treatment (methyl bromide fumigation or irradiation) or a systems approach for fruit borers
- area freedom or area of low pest prevalence or alternative measures approved by the Australian Government Department of Agriculture and Water Resources for brown rots
- area freedom or systems approach approved by the Australian Government Department of Agriculture and Water Resources for plum pox virus

The final report and information about the risk analysis process are available at the [department's website](#). Printed copies of the report are available, if required.

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